

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



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REFUGEE COORDINATOR LETTER NO. 01-06

TO: COUNTY REFUGEE COORDINATORS

The Refugee Women's Network, Inc. (RWN) is once again conducting the National Refugee Women Leadership Conference, which will be held from August 2-5, 2001 in Atlanta, Georgia. We are pleased to sponsor ten refugee women from California to attend the conference.

The primary goal of the conference is to provide leadership training to refugee women, so that they may increase their participation in the decision making process in their communities and become effective leaders. Over the years many different refugee women from your counties have participated in this training, and have emerged with new skills and energy to deal with the challenges they face in their everyday lives. We are once more asking for your assistance in identifying and nominating **new** candidates for this training. These refugee women should be individuals who demonstrate the potential for leadership within their communities and who can benefit from participating in the training for the **first** time.

The RWN will purchase airline tickets, make reservations, and pay for the hotel room and conference registration fee. If participants desire meals other than those provided at the conference, they must pay for them. In order to insure that candidates take advantage of this valuable opportunity, please submit the names of your candidates to our office by June 25, 2001.

Please join us in ensuring that refugee women from your counties take advantage of this extraordinary opportunity to enrich their lives and abilities, as well as your communities. If you need further information, please contact me at (916) 654-1246.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by
Janet Sandlin on 3/22/01

JANET SANDLIN, Acting Chief
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